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AN ACT
RELATING TO EDUCATION; MANDATING THE INSTRUCTION OF THE
EFFECTS OF TOBACCO, DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE ON THE HUMAN BODY
AND ON SOCIETY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of Chapter 22, Article 13 NMSA
1978 is enacted to read:

"THE EFFECTS OF TOBACCO, DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE--
INSTRUCTION REQUIRED.--

A. The department shall require public schools to
address the effects of tobacco, drug and alcohol use on the
human body and on society as provided in this section through
the health or sciences curriculum.

B. All fourth through twelfth grade classes shall
be provided a minimum of six hours of instruction annually.
Three hours of instruction shall occur at the beginning of
the school year and the remaining three hours shall occur at
the end of the school year.

C. Criteria shall be designed to be appropriate
for each grade level.

D. It is recommended that the public school access
appropriate community resources to assist in the instruction."